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EASLEY APPOINTS MEMBERS TO MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES COMMISSION

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley appointed eight members to the North Carolina Commission for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services.

Easley appointed **Floyd McCullouch** of Goldsboro, who worked for Vocational Rehabilitation for 22 years before retiring in 1998 and was owner of Highway 70 Sales and McCullough Auction Company from 1988-1994; **Donald John Stedman** of Chapel Hill, professor of education and Dean Emeritus at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and **George E. Jones** of Edenton, a retired pork producer and county commissioner for Chowan County.

Easley reappointed **Lois T. Batton** of Roanoke Rapids, former public health nurse from 1956-1967, mental health nurse from 1967-1969, and mental health nurse supervisor from 1969-1971; **Pearl L. Finch** of Bailey, owner of Managed Family Farms and Rental Properties since 1947, teacher in history, psychology and sociology at Southern Nash High School from 1973-1990, and adjunct professor at Atlantic Christian College (now Barton College) from 1969-1980; **Pender R. McElroy** of Charlotte, managing partner at the law firm of James, McElroy & Diehl since 1984; **Lou Grubb Adkins** of Lexington, executive director of Lexington Housing CDC since 1999; **Emily H. Moore** of Kinston, vice chairman of the Kinston Housing Authority since 1991 and a member of the Lenoir County Mental Health Board for more than 20 years.

The North Carolina Commission for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services is the rule-making authority for public and private mental health programs in North Carolina. The commission regulates education, prevention, intervention, treatment, rehabilitation and other related services. There are 26 members on the board, and the Governor appoints 22 members. One member from each of the congressional districts is represented.

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